



# Session 6: Panel Discussion



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HUMAN RESEARCH ROADMAP

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## Human Research Roadmap

A Risk Reduction Strategy for Human Space Exploration



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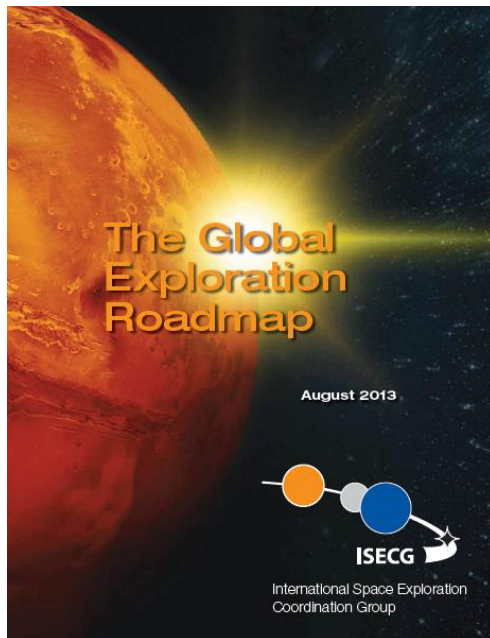
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32 Risks  
279 Gaps  
963 Tasks

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# In Space Transportation Technologies Supporting the Global Exploration Roadmap

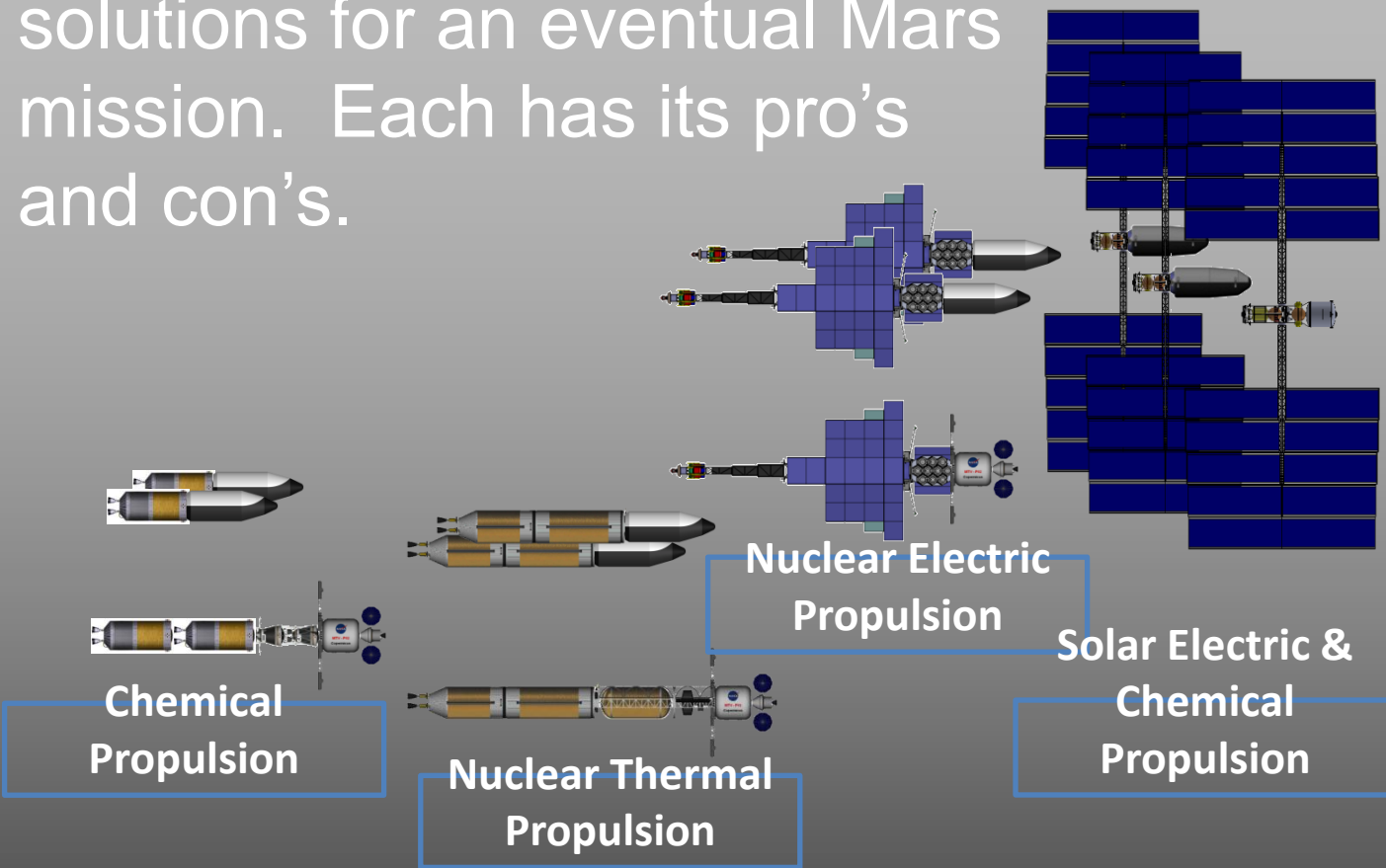


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There are many technical solutions for an eventual Mars mission. Each has its pro's and con's.

**Sending  
People To  
Mars – It's  
All About  
Moving  
Mass**





The technologies we develop  
for today's missions will narrow  
our options for tomorrow's.







# Human Exploration Preparatory Activities from the GER

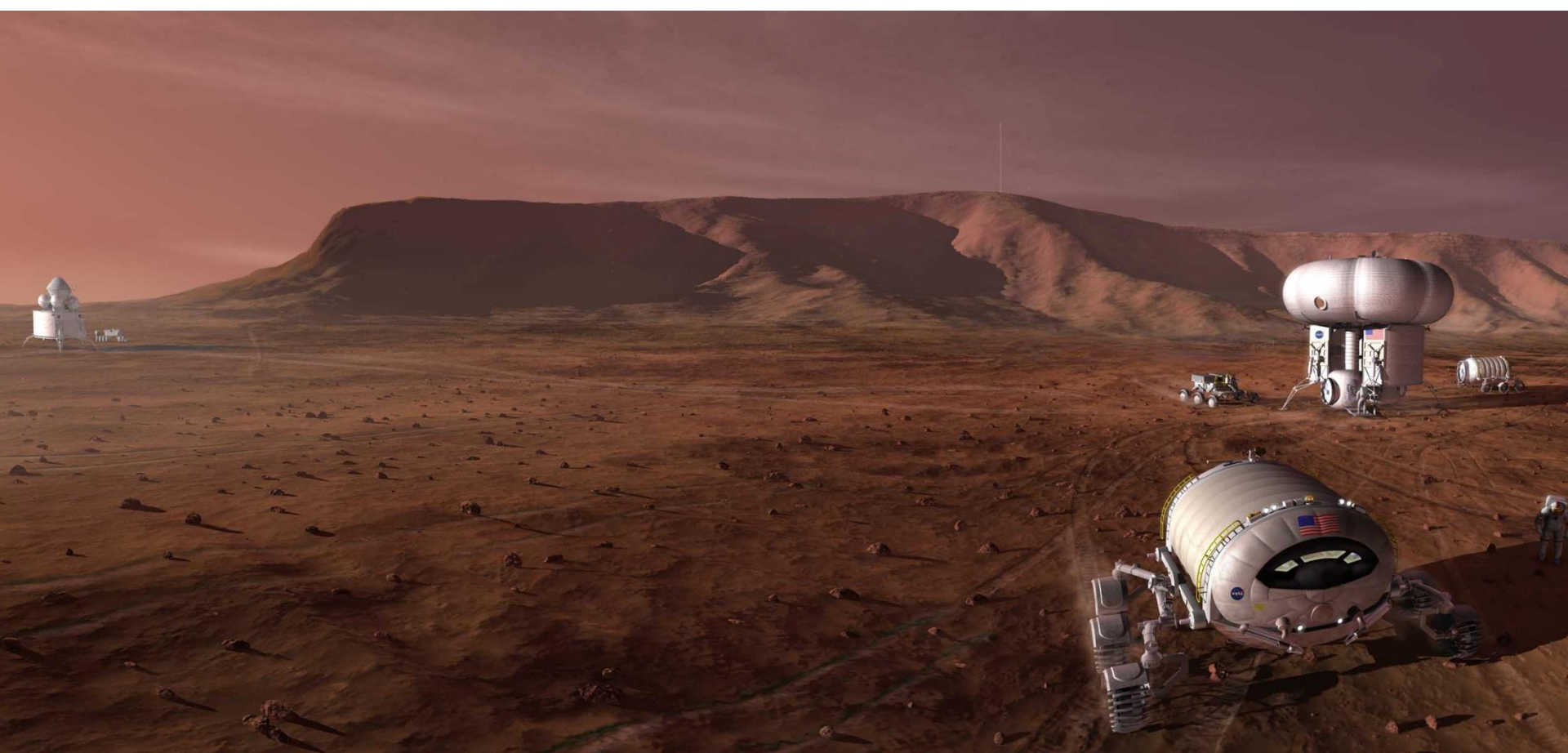
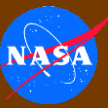


## Critical Technology Needs by Technology Area<sup>2</sup>

In-Space Propulsion Technologies (TA02)	Life Support & Habitation Systems (TA06)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Liquid Oxygen/Methane Cryogenic Propulsion System (Mars Lander)</li><li>• Advanced In-Space Cryogenic Propellant Storage &amp; Liquid Acquisition</li><li>• Electric Propulsion &amp; Power Processing</li><li>• Nuclear Thermal Propulsion (NTP) Engine</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Closed-Loop &amp; High Reliability Life Support Systems</li><li>• Fire Prevention, Detection &amp; Suppression (reduced Pressure)</li><li>• EVA Deep Space Suits, including lunar &amp; Mars environment</li><li>• Advanced EVA Mobility (Suit Port)</li></ul>
Space Power & Energy Storage (TA03)	Long Duration Human Health (TA06)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• High-Strength &amp; Autonomously Deployable In-Space Solar Arrays</li><li>• Fission Power for Electric Propulsion &amp; Surface Missions</li><li>• Regenerative Fuel Cells</li><li>• High Specific Energy &amp; Long Life Batteries</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Space Flight Medical Care, Behavioral Health &amp; Performance</li><li>• Microgravity Biomedical Countermeasures</li><li>• Human Factors &amp; Habitability</li><li>• Space Radiation Protection/Shielding</li></ul>

# *Human Exploration of Mars Task Opportunities*

National Aeronautics  
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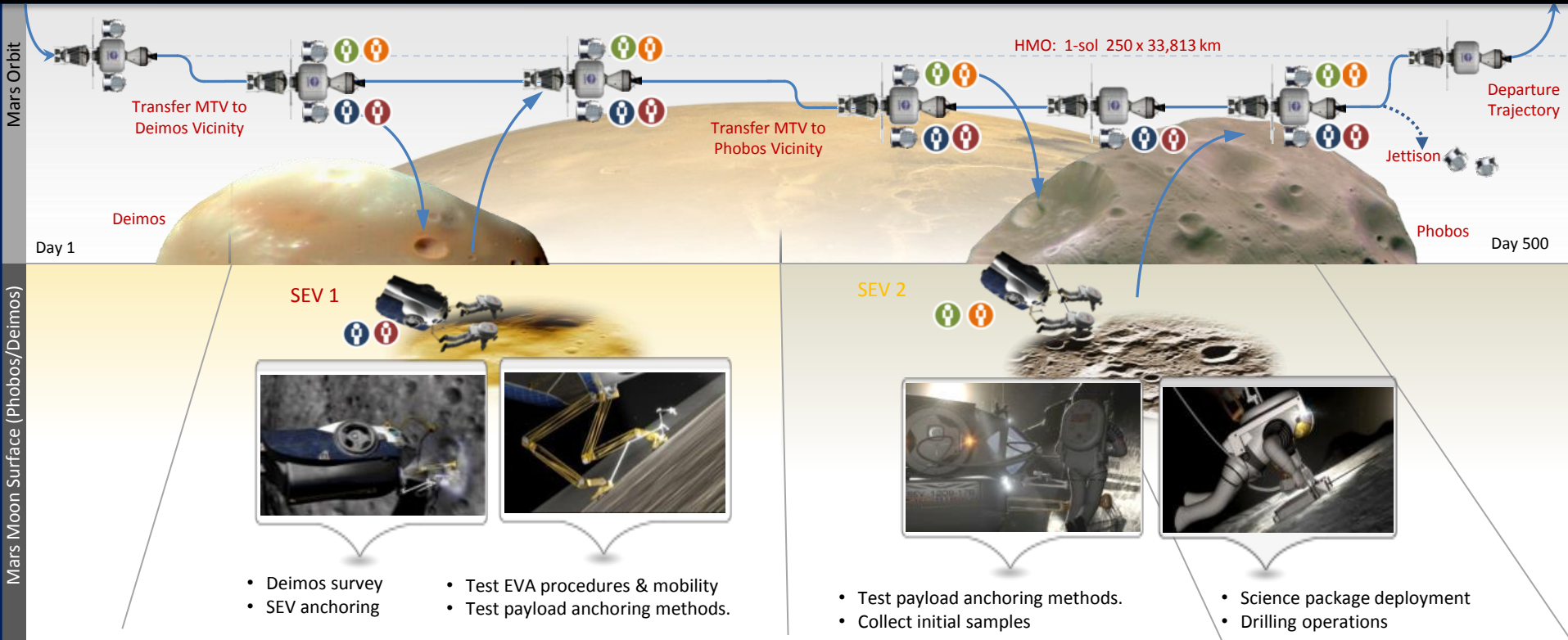
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# Long-Stay Mars Orbital Operations

## Mission Sequence



## Mission Summary

### Assumed Mars Orbit Strategy

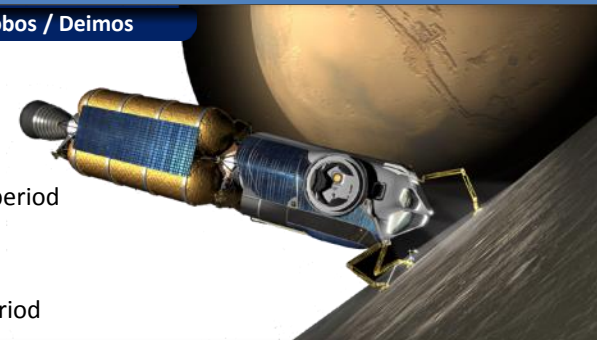
1. Capture into a 1-sol parking orbit with proper plane change to Deimos inclination
2. Lower Mars Transfer Vehicle to Deimos orbit (767 m/s delta-v reqd.)
3. Prepare for orbital operations
4. Utilize SEV-1 to explore Deimos numerous times
5. Lower Mars Transfer Vehicle to Phobos orbit (816 m/s delta-v reqd.)
6. Utilize SEV-2 to explore Phobos numerous times
7. Raise to 1-sol parking orbit (planar) (796 m/s)
8. Trans-Earth Injection including plane change

## Mission Site: Phobos / Deimos

Crew: 4

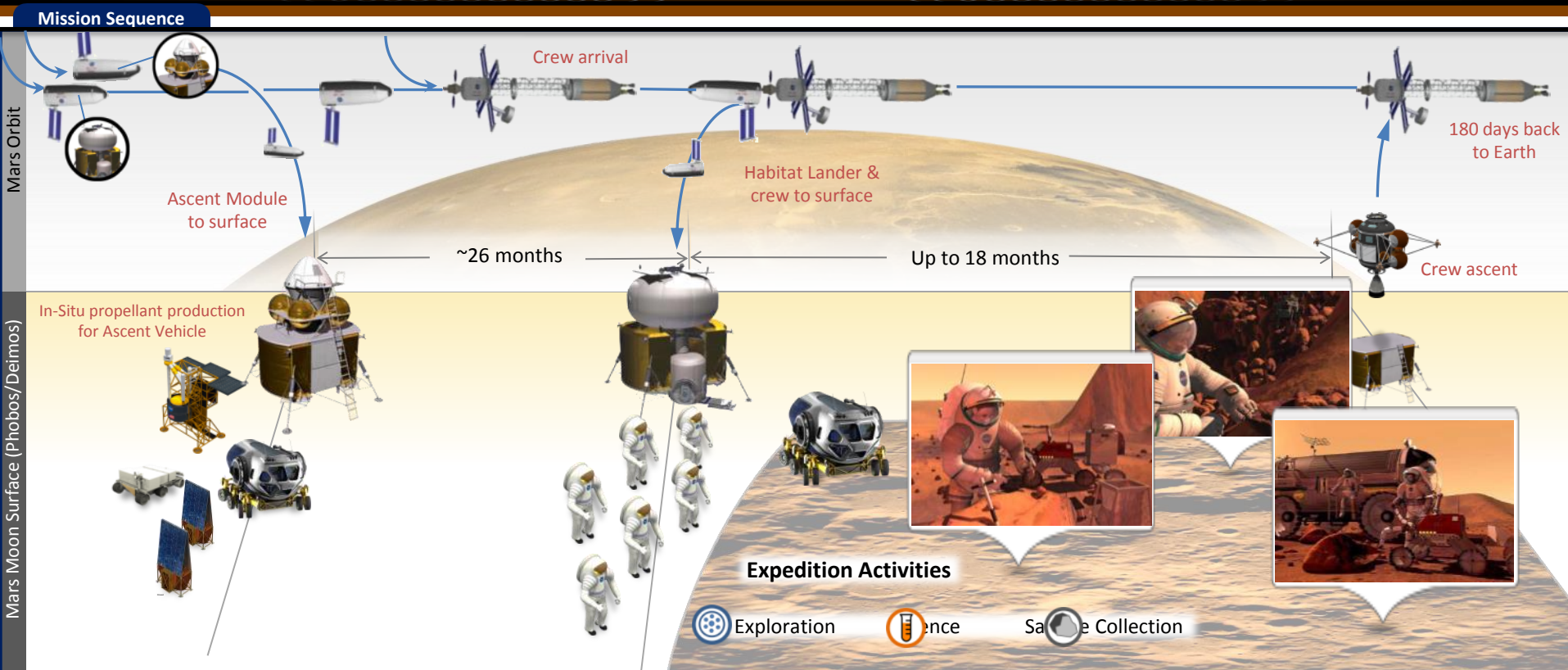
Deimos:  
20,063 km circular  
0.9 deg, 1.26 day period

Phobos:  
5981 km circular  
1 deg, 0.32 day period





# Mars Surface Operations



## Mission Summary

- Long surface stays with visits to multiple sites provides scientific diversity
- Sustainability objectives favor return missions to a single site (objectives lend themselves best to repeated visits to a specific site on Mars)
- Mobility at great distances (100s kilometers) from the landing site enhances science return (diversity)
- Subsurface access of 100s meters or more highly desired
- Advanced laboratory and sample assessment capabilities necessary for high-grading samples for return

## Mission Site: Mars Surface



# The International Space Station and the Road to Mars

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# The Future of Human Space Exploration

## *NASA's Building Blocks to Mars*

U.S. companies provide affordable access to low Earth orbit

Mastering the fundamentals aboard the International Space Station

Pushing the boundaries in cis-lunar space

Developing planetary independence by exploring Mars, its moons, and other deep space destinations

The next step: traveling beyond low-Earth orbit with the Space Launch System rocket and Orion crew capsule

*Missions: 6 to 12 months  
Return: hours*

*Missions: 1 month up to 12 months  
Return: days*

*Missions: 2 to 3 years  
Return: months*

Earth Reliant

Humans 2 Mars

Proving Ground

Earth Independent

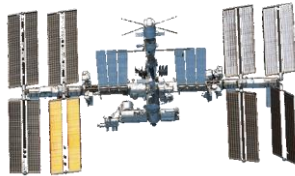
# Filling in the Gap

Today – 2020's

2020's

2030's

ISS  
400 kilometers



- ✧ 6 month crew duration
- ✧ Crew health and performance research not complete
- ✧ Habitation and life support systems are large and require regular maintenance
- ✧ Regular resupply, return and trash removal
- ✧ Ground analysis of crew and environmental samples
- ✧ Near real-time communications
- ✧ Crew return in hours

**Car camping in space**

Mars  
228,000,000 kilometers



- ✧ 2-3 years crew duration in free space
- ✧ Crew, habitation and life support systems have no resupply
- ✧ No ground validation of crew/environmental samples
- ✧ Communication delay of up to 42 minutes
- ✧ Crew return in months

**Independent life**